

JL- FBI truthfulness, for possible use in FOIA cases      BE 3/27/79

Whenever it can accomplish dishonest purposes by evasions, circumlocutions and semantical devices the FBI avoids deliberate lying. However, when it has no alternative there is no limit to the magnitude or totality of FBI lies. I attach a proof of a total lie. Except for their names all is false. And the device is cute.

You may remember my telling you in C.A.75-1996 that when the FBI had to lie about doing a black bag job on Ray in Atlanta it had the SAC, Hitt, execute the affidavit whereas the bad job was done by an SA whose name I recall as Burgess. I have the report in which he recounted his exploit.

Same trick here.

100-10461-8579 refers in the opening to a record I have not seen and then quotes it apparently verbatim and in full. This is much more wasteful than attaching a xerox. So an entirely new record was created for instant retrieval from the memory hole, Dallas.

The liar is Boguslav. Shanklin could pretend no personal knowledge. Marina's allegations to the Commission are both truthful and understated. The Secret Service leaned on her on its own and for the FBI. I have the proofs. (It became so much a Secret Service scandal they had to have an internal investigation, which I also have.) The FBI could hardly have been more explicit in giving her the choice between "cooperation" and deportation. (The Secret Service added enrichment and a bed-mate.) As a result Marina contradicted herself on everything she was asked to say the opposite about and explained this before the WC by saying to them she had not been under oath so under oath they could depend on her not lying any more.

The FBI played hardball from FBIHQ. First it arranged to be with her alone except for an INS official of FBI choice. Although she was in Secret Service custody the FBI got rid of SS too. Then it spelled out exactly what Marina testified to. Using the INS man for this. I have the FBI's own records on this. It was their HQ idea, not Shanklin's or Heitman's.

If you read Boguslav carefully he falls short of saying no threat was made. Only that the FBI made no threat and that he only "interpreted."

I don't know if ousting SS made any problem for the FBI. I doubt it. But if it did in short time the FBI had all it needed to get whatever it wanted from SS - Marina's sex life. (A reporter I know was told by Sullivan of the FBI's taping of her bed noises and conversations. The FBI has given indication of only her then business agent, Martin. However, at one time in the Willard she took on two or both of her "guards," then under SS xxx "protective custody.")

From what I knew early on I titled my Marina chapter in Whitewash II "Czechoslovakia." Maybe it could be improved now but it was accurate!